

Chapter XVI

United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)

The United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) continued in 2005 to promote the sustainable industrial development of developing countries and countries in transition.

The Industrial Development Board, at its thirtieth session (Vienna, 20-23 June), considered UNIDO's programme and budget for the 2006-2007 biennium. Member States discussed the implementation of a Cooperation Agreement with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the UNIDO strategic long-term vision.

The eleventh session of the UNIDO General Conference (Vienna, 28 November-2 December) appointed Kandeh K. Yumkella (Sierra Leone) as Director-General of UNIDO and adopted the strategic long-term vision statement for UNIDO for the period 2005-2015.

UNIDO membership remained at 171 in 2005.

Global forum activities

Through its global forum activities, UNIDO continued to promote industrial development and cooperation between countries, partnerships, knowledge-sharing, technology and investment. It also assisted developing countries and economies in transition in the implementation of multilateral environmental agreements.

Global forum activities included the compilation and dissemination worldwide of the 2005 edition of UNIDO's industrial statistics databases through various media, including CD-ROM, hard copy publication and the Internet; completion of a research programme on combating marginalization and poverty through industrial development; publication of research undertaken in the context of the medium-term programme framework 2004-2007 on productivity, technology diffusion, public goods, global value chains and of the 2005 *Industrial Development Report* entitled *Capability-building for catching-up: Historical, empirical*

and policy dimensions; and joint activities with selected multilateral organizations. UNIDO helped to organize the second International Conference on the Process of Innovation and Learning in Dynamic City Regions (Bangalore, India, 13-15 July) to examine case studies of dynamic city governance systems.

Technical cooperation

UNIDO continued to provide technical cooperation through its integrated programmes and country service frameworks, most of which dealt with capacity-building. Many were also geared towards increasing productivity and competitiveness, with a particular emphasis on small- and medium-sized enterprises and on environmental protection. During 2005, UNIDO achieved a record delivery of some \$112.9 million in technical cooperation projects—compared to \$98.8 million in 2004—due to efforts made to formulate and submit sound project proposals and replenish the stock of pipeline projects.

Secretariat

As at 31 December, UNIDO employed a total of 647 staff members: 246 were in the Professional or higher categories, 382 were in the General Service category and 19 were national officers.

Budget

The tenth (2003) session of the UNIDO General Conference approved the organization's 2004-2005 regular budget in the amount of 142,000,000 euros. The eleventh (2005) session approved the 2006-2007 regular budget in the amount of 154,009,900 euros.

NOTE: For further information on UNIDO, see *Annual Report of UNIDO 2005*.

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